

Patent Docket No.: RIC99055

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

INTERNET PROTOCOL TELEPHONY VOICE/VIDEO MESSAGE DEPOSIT AND RETRIEVAL

the specification of which

is attached hereto
 was filed on 11/8/99 as Application Serial No. 09/436,795
and was amended on

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before my invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my invention thereof of more than one year prior to this application, and said invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 (a)-(d) or §365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

(number) (country) (date filed)

Priority Claimed

 yes no yes no

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) or Section 365(e) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below, and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal regulations, Section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my knowledge are true and that all statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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ASSIGNMENT

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I/Wc, the undersigned, do hereby sell, assign, and transfer to: MCI WORLDCOM, Inc., a corporation of Georgia, having offices at 515 East Amite Street, Jackson, MS 39201, ("Assignee"), its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest for the United States and all foreign countries, in and to any and all improvements which are described in the application for United States Letters Patents,

Which has been executed by the undersigned concurrently herewith,
 Which was filed on 11/8/99 and assigned Serial No. 09/436,795

and is entitled:

INTERNET PROTOCOL, TELEPHONY VOICE/VIDEO MESSAGE DEPOSIT AND RETRIEVAL

and in and to said application and all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, reissue, and all other application for Letters Patents which have been or shall be filed in the United States and all foreign countries on any of said improvements; and in and to all original and reissued patents which have been or shall be issued in the United States and foreign countries on said improvements, and in and to all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application; and

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Covenant with said Assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives that no assignment, grant, mortgage, license, or other agreement affecting the rights and property herein conveyed has been made to others by the undersigned, and that full right to convey the same as herein expressed is possessed by the undersigned.

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